

REMARKS

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-5, 7-14 and 23 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Responsive to the issues raised by the Examiner, Applicants have amended the claims appropriately and have made other non-substantive changes to place the claims into better form.

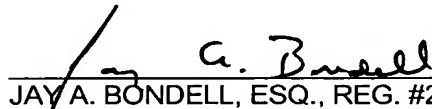
As no art rejection is currently pending, passage to allowance of all pending claims is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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